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AT the meeting of the Finance Committee held on Friday, December 22, 1911, at 4.30 p.m., there were:—

Present:

Messrs. E. C. Pearce (*Chairman*)
E. E. Clark
E. J. Cornfoot

The meeting adjourned at 6. p.m.

AT the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, December 27, 1911, at 4.30 p.m., there were:—

Present:

Messrs. H. De Gray (*Chairman*)
C. E. Anton
A. W. Burkill
E. E. Clark
E. J. Cornfoot
H. Figge
C. Selby Moore
E. C. Pearce
T. E. Trueman

The meeting adjourned at 6 p.m.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2138.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Municipal Loans will be closed from December 20, to December 30, both days inclusive.

By order,
W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

Council Room,
Shanghai, December 14, 1911.

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 2139.

THE Municipal Offices will be closed to public business on Monday and Tuesday, December 25 and 26, 1911, and on Monday, January 1, 1912.

By order,
W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

Council Room,
Shanghai, December 21, 1911.

Volunteer Corps.

Artillery Ammunition.—With regard to comments made in the Inspection Report of the General Officer Commanding and in the appendix by the Officer commanding the Ordnance Department, Hongkong, on the subject of quick-firing cordite ammunition, and its testing and storing (*see Gazette, May 25*) the Commandant has reported the following information with respect to the points raised:—

Tests of cartridges have been carried out and show them to be generally serviceable. At the Commandant's recommendation it is decided that replacement of the igniters at present in use at an estimated cost of £45 is not requisite.

The temperature of the magazine is daily recorded as Major-General Anderson suggested, and it is noted that cordite is now stored entirely separate from all other ammunition.

Changes in war material which affect the property of the Corps will for the future be communicated by the Hongkong Military Authorities.

As to firing surplus cartridges as blank charges and the Commanding Officer's communication dated August 26, referring to the danger of this course, the Commandant states that by reduction of the charge this can probably be done without danger, and subject to the success of experiments this economical method of disposing of surplus is approved.

With respect to Shell, the examination of which has been left in abeyance pending reference to the War Office as to the possibility of re-purchase of a surplus, it is noted that a negative reply has been received and that the testing of the shell is now in progress.

Riding School.—At the recommendation of the Commandant, the Council has approved the following scale of fees for the use of the Riding School, based upon an arrangement which has come into force during recent years:—

Morning and evening, three times weekly, per mensem	$20
Morning or evening, three times weekly, per mensem	10
Lesser periods than one month, each occasion	1

Portuguese Company, Sportsmens' Section.—The Commandant reports that several of the more influential Portuguese residents have expressed a wish to form a Reserve Section, somewhat upon the lines of the existing 12 Bore (Gun Club) Company, to be affiliated to the Portuguese Company. 22 names have been enrolled and a membership of 40 is expected. The project has received the Council's sanction upon the grounds that all adult male residents in the Settlement should be prepared to take part in its defence if required, and that some form of organization is necessary in order that their services may be of actual use.

Upon the recommendation of the Commandant a commission as 2nd Lieutenant in the Section is authorized for issue to Mr. L. Encarnacao.

Police Force.

Correspondence as to the policing of the North Szechuen Road district:—

Shanghai, November 14, 1911.

SIR,—We the undersigned who are the landlords of the North Szechuen Road Extension and private roads adjoining, beg to state that owing to present unsettled state of affairs, we fear that serious trouble may at any time arise in our district, therefore we shall be greatly obliged if you will kindly consider the situation and see that the following steps are forthwith taken in order to afford more adequate protection to the lives and properties of those residents in the above roads:

1. Number of Municipal police to be increased in the North Szechuen Road Extension.

2. Municipal Police supervision also to be extended to private roads adjoining on the same basis as the above Municipal road.

Trusting that you will give the matter your favourable consideration as soon as possible.

We are, Sir,
Your obedient servants,

YONIJIROH ITO,
Chairman,
Japanese Residents' Corporation,
SEN SING-KEE,
Helen Terrace.
A. E. ALGAR,
144-160 North Szechuen Road.
T. J. ROWLAND,
186 North Szechuen Road.
L. KAM-SUI,
Nos. 70, 71, and 109 Woosung Road.
MOO-LIEN F. T. YAO,
Azaleas Terrace.
J. R. COOKE,
for Capt. W. S. WYLES,
Nos. 66 to 69 Woosung Road.
Y. HIRANO,
182 North Szechuen Road.
BRANDT & RODGERS,
Hou Fook, Hou Tak, Paoshan Terrace and Hou Fook and Hou Tak Lees (native houses).
MRS. E. RUDLAND,
72-73 Woosung Road
V. VIZENZINOVICH,
for A. W. BAHR,
Edna Terrace.
MRS. G. VIZENZINOVICH,
685y to 699y North Szechuen Road.

THE CHAIRMAN,
Municipal Council.

Council Room,
Shanghai, December 21, 1911.

GENTLEMEN,—In reply to your letter of November 14 I am directed to inform you that the question of policing the North Szechuen Road district is receiving the earnest attention of the Council, and that your desires will be met so far as circumstances admit. In any case the patrols will be increased, and I am to state that complaints and requests for police assistance will receive prompt attention if addressed to the Inspector in charge of the Harbin Road Station.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

YONIJIROH ITO, Esq.,
Chairman, Japanese Residents' Corporation, and others.

Shanghai, December 19, 1911.

SIR,—In view of an uncertain condition prevailing at present in the districts beyond the Settlement limits and in order to assure protection to the Japanese residents living along and in

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the vicinity of the North Szechuen Road and North Honan Road Extensions, where robberies are so frequent during the winter months, I have the honour to inform you that I have, in concurrence with the wishes of several hundred Japanese residing there, decided to engage Japanese watchmen to patrol, during night, the premises occupied by Japanese and have lented No. 845 North Szechuen Road Extension, for their station, and I should feel much obliged if you would kindly give instructions to your men on duty on the afore-mentioned roads to render assistance to the watchmen should circumstances demand.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
A. ARIYOSHI,
Consul-General for Japan.

Colonel C. D. BRUCE,
Captain-Superintendent of Police.

Council Room,
Shanghai, December 21, 1911.

SIR,—With reference to your letter of December 19, addressed to the Captain-Superintendent of Police, I have the honour to state that the policing of the districts north of the Settlement is engaging the earnest attention of the Council. The North Honan Road district beyond the Railway line is purely Chinese and the Municipal Police do not function there, but the North Szechuen Road is a Municipal thoroughfare and the Council cannot, either by implication or otherwise, delegate its sole right of policing to others. Any request for police assistance will receive immediate attention at the hands of the Captain-Superintendent, who is already arranging for an increased patrol in the neighbourhood concerned, but it must be understood that the Council and none other has the right to furnish such assistance.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
HARRY DE GRAY,
Chairman.

A. ARIYOSHI, Esq.,
Consul-General for Japan.

Salt.

Correspondence relating to a proposed monopoly of the sale of salt:—

Shanghai, December 20, 1911.

SIR,—Although the Foreign Settlement of Shanghai contains a large and miscellaneous population, Chinese officials are not permitted to establish any offices therein for the collection of duties or taxes. Salt, however, is a necessary of daily life and its use is closely connected with public health. Every district in China sends hither a certain quantity of it which enters the Settlement without a pass. If sold by the officials it is called government salt; if imported by merchants it is referred to as smuggled salt and numerous irregularities result. On the Huangpu river, Soochow creek and in the districts adjoining the Settlement sudden disturbances are frequently created by persons calling themselves officers of the Salt Department, and reports of these things reach the Settlement and alarm the Community. Moreover, salt dealers in order to avoid seizure by the Salt Department officials, carry their salt in matting, baskets, etc., putting other dirty or infected things on top, and bring it into the Settlement in this manner for sale. The poorer classes are eager to get it as being cheaper than the Government salt and flock to buy it without picking or choosing. Salt which is seized outside the Settlement and confiscated by the officials is mixed with other salt regardless of purity and offered for sale. They also buy salt left over from the salting of cabbage, turnips, fish, meat, etc., mix it with other salt and sell it, a practice very injurious to the public health and which is forbidden by the Municipal Regulations. Certain merchants and others now propose to form a Company for the purpose of putting an end to these long standing evils and securing the general welfare. With this object, I have the honour to submit the following draft Articles to the Council. If they are approved of I hope the necessary licence will be granted so that they can be put in operation.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
NU SOEY CHING.

The SECRETARY,
Municipal Council.

ARTICLES OF THE "SHANGHAI SETTLEMENT SANITARY SALT COMPANY."

1. The Company shall be called the "Shanghai Settlement Sanitary Salt Company" and shall apply for the exclusive right of carrying on this trade for a period of three years by way of experiment.
2. The capital of the Company shall be subscribed by Chinese merchants and the Company shall undertake to pay licence fees to the amount $40,000 payable quarterly in advance. The title deeds of the godowns and wharves built by the Company shall be deposited with the Council as a guarantee.
3. The Company shall stock sufficient pure salt to supply the daily consumption and provide reserve stores sufficient for the wants of the Settlement for three months so as to avoid shortage at any time.
4. The Company shall comply with the directions of the Municipal Health Officer in the construction of its godowns and in its methods of storage within the Settlement.
5. The Company shall construct two wharves within the Settlement and when a salt boat arrives at Shanghai it shall anchor at one of these wharves and the Company shall report its arrival to the Health Officer. After inspection by him the salt will be landed. No salt which has not been passed by the Health Officer shall be sold within the Settlement.
6. The Company's salt shall be sold throughout the Settlement by agents for the convenience of the public. The Company shall furnish the agents with certificates that the salt has been inspected by the Health Officer and the names and addresses of its agents shall be recorded and from time to time reported to the Council.
7. The Company shall ask the Council to send detectives from time to time to investigate and all salt which has not been inspected by the Health Officer or which is not certified by the Company shall be sent out of the Settlement so that the Company alone may be responsible for all salt on the market. The Company shall abide by the Council's view whether the expense of this investigation should be included in the licence fees or not.
8. The scales used by the Company shall weigh 16 ounces for one catty in buying and selling. The scales used at the wharves and godowns and by the Company's agents shall all be sent to the Council to be examined, stamped and registered, so as to bring all transactions to one standard.
9. The price charged by the Company shall be lower than that charged for Government salt outside the Settlement. Since the output of salt rises and falls according as the summer is dry or wet the price must fluctuate, but the price for the present shall be fixed at four dollar cents per catty which is 25 per cent cheaper than the salt outside the Settlement limits. Any future alteration of price will be first submitted to the Council.

The above nine Articles are provisional and shall be modified from time to time as circumstances require with the Council's approval.

Council Room,
Shanghai, December 26, 1911.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of December 20, proposing the formation of a Company with the exclusive privilege of the sale of salt in the Settlement

In reply I am directed to inform you that, in the Council's opinion, there is no reason from a Public Health standpoint for inspection of native salt.

With regard to your offer to pay a sum of $40,000 per annum for the privilege in question, I am directed to point out that this large amount, or indeed any such contribution, would be a portion of the profits proceeding from the control of prices which you would possess. The Council has consistently for many years opposed the restriction or control of the sale of salt or of any other article of native food for the profit of official or commercial organizations and sees no reason to depart from the practice at present.

It is self-evident that, with an exclusive right of sale in your hands, this sum would have the nature of extra revenue or taxation collected from native residents. If an increase in the Municipal revenue were found necessary, the Council would be averse to obtaining it by farming the collection to any commercial undertaking, but would

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effect it by direct means, after approval by the Ratepayers in the usual way.

I am accordingly directed to inform you that the Council disapproves the project in question.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. E. LEVESON,

Secretary.

NU SOEY CHING, Esq.

Licensed Taverns.

The Council has taken note of Police reports with reference to several cases of disturbance by sailors in licensed Taverns: and also to the growing practice of trafficking in licences by licencees who are proprietors in name only, and who transfer their privileges under the licence to the real owner of the establishment.

The attention of the concerned is being drawn to the fact that in the event of their permitting sailors to become intoxicated on the premises, relying upon availing of the services of the Police at the last moment to quell the consequent disorder, careful note will be taken of such occurrences. Non-renewal of the licences for the premises concerned may follow in March, when the special Annual Meeting of the Watch Committee is held, for consideration of the issue and renewal of Tavern licences. The Council will hereafter stipulate that only bonâ fide resident proprietors or managers be allowed to hold licences, with a view to checking the practice of trafficking fore-mentioned.

Electricity Department.

Transformer Station.—The existing Electricity Sub-Station at the corner of the Haskell and Range Roads, having become too small for the requirements of the district, an arrangement has been sanctioned whereby a small piece of land on the north-east corner of the North Honan Road Depot has been set aside for this purpose.

Municipal Staff.

Health Department.—Miss E. J. Wood has been appointed Nurse with effect from December 18.

The service of Sanitary Overseers Booth and Schnittfinke will terminate on December 31.

Police Force.—The service of Sergeant Donovan will terminate on December 31, under medical certificate.

The transfer of Constable J. W. Jackson to be 4th Class Warder at the Gaol has been authorized with effect from November 6.

Nine months' leave of absence is granted to the following:—

T. Elliott from February 12.
M. Blake .. March 6.
T. Foley .. .. 6.
A. G. Long .. .. 24.

Public Works Department.—Mr. E. C. Stocker has been appointed Surveying Assistant on three months' probation from December 19.

Miss E. M. Witt has been appointed Clerical Assistant on one months probation from December 19.

The resignation of Mr. B. Wilson, Junior Clerk, is accepted with effect from January 31, 1912.

Notification of Infectious Disease.

The following have been reported during the week ending Sunday, December 24, 1911.	Cases notified among Non-Chinese population of 13,770	Deaths among Chinese population of 482,000
Small-pox.	0	0
Cholera.	0	0
Typhoid Fever	0	–
Diphtheria.	1	1
Scarlet Fever.	0	1
Tuberculosis	0	13
Plague	0	0
Total Deaths from all Causes	4	140

ARTHUR STANLEY,

Health Officer.

Plans of New Buildings Approved.

Cad. lot.	Road.	Name.	Description.
642	Hankow & Chekiang	P. Tilley	*Foreign.* Cinematograph Theatre & 2 shops
N. of 70	Jehol.	Chinese	*Chinese.* 7 houses

Public Band.

Public Performances.—The attendance on Sunday, December 24, numbered 521.

On Sunday next, December 31, at 4.30 p.m., the programme will be as follows:—

1. Overture "Magic flute" Mozart
2. Unfinished Symphony Schubert
3. Selection "La Marraise" Massenet

4. Scènes Pittoresques Massenet
   1. March
   2. Air de Ballet
   3. Angelus
   4. Fête Bohème
5. Overture "Le Carnaval Romain" Berlioz.

Conductor, Professor BUCK.

Private Services.—The charge for the services of the Band is Tls. 40, and of a Half-Band, consisting of not less than 3 European and 12 Manila musicians, Tls. 25 per hour or part of an hour.

The services of a smaller number of musicians may be engaged at the rate of Tls. 3 per hour for European, and Tls. 1.50 per hour for Manila musicians.

One rehearsal is permitted without fee, all subsequent rehearsals are charged for at half of the above rates.

For the services of a soloist an additional fee of Tls. 25 is charged, inclusive of such rehearsals as are necessary.

If special music is required special arrangements must be made.

Engagements for more than three performances during a season are subject to a reduction of 20 per cent, for more than twelve performances 40 per cent.

For Sunday performances or services involving marching through the streets double rates are charged.

24 hours' notice is required for the cancellation of any engagement.

The cost of conveyance of musicians for distances beyond a radius of 1 mile from the Municipal offices, Kiangse Road, must be defrayed by the persons engaging them.

The European musicians are allowed to give private music lessons, with the Conductor's permission obtained in each case.

Departmental Report by the Superintendent of Parks and Open Spaces to the Municipal Engineer for November.

The main decorative feature of this month in the flower gardens, was the display of chrysanthemums which despite the inclemency of the past summer, was very satisfactory. Cuttings have been inserted of chrysanthemums for growing in pots for next autumn, while for bedding purposes, about twenty of the most suitable varieties have been selected and planted in the nursery to form stock plants, cuttings from which will be taken in March.

The great increase in the number of visitors to the Plant Houses during the past month is specially noteworthy and indicates that the recent enlargement to the houses and the improved methods of displaying the plants and flowers are appreciated by the Public.

During December, it is expected that there will be a good display of plants in flower, more particularly of poinsettias, moschosma, begonias and orchids.

In the porch of the new Plant House a glass case has been placed, wherein from time to time there will be displayed material of special interest to horticulturists.

Trees staked and fastened:—

	Staked.	Fastened.
Northern District	2	5
Eastern ,,	5	50
Western ,,	—	4
Central ,,	1	8
	8	67

Number of trees pruned 3,686

Bedding plants planted during the month:—

Public Recreation Ground	1,561
Hongkew ,,	1,470
Public Gardens	900
Nursing Home	1,166
Sinza Police Station	536
	4,633

D. MACGREGOR,

Superintendent.

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TENDERS FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS.

CONDITIONS GOVERNING MUNICIPAL TENDERS.

1. The Council reserves to itself the right to accept the whole or part of any tender.
2. The Council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender or to pay any expenses which the tenderer may incur in tendering.
3. The contractor whose tender is eventually accepted may be required to give satisfactory security for the performance of the contract.
4. The names of tenderers, with prices quoted, will be published in the Mu nicipal Gazette.
5. A fee may be charged for specifications, to be returned upon receipt of a *bonâ fide* tender.
6. Tenders, sealed and labelled on the outside as to their contents, should be forwarded, preferably by chit book or registered letter, to "The Secretary, Municipal Council, 23 Kiangse Road' not later than noon on the day fixed for their receipt.

工部局承攬信章程

一 所承攬各項文件承認全份或幾份係本局固有權利

二 所有承攬價目雖是極低本局亦未必准承辦如有承辦人自行估價之用款本局亦不認付

三 擇定之後該承攬人須寬的實佛人到局保其遵照合同辦理

四 所有承攬各人之信及承攬之價目以後登入本局公報倘人知悉

五 所有取閱說明謗單者須付錢陶本局必將其錢數在此論單內登明所收之錢俟得有的實承攬信後仍將該款一律退還

六 所有承攬信函安貫封固加蓋火漆其承攬何項工料等物必於信面寫明送至江西路二十三號工部局總辦處須在定期日上午十二時以前送信交用信箱或由掛號信送來最善此次概免交說明謗單費

所有承攬事件由英文開列於下

TENDERS INVITED.

No.		Fee	Date for receipt of tenders.
	GENERAL.		
1.	Supply of coal for use in the Municipal Offices, Police Stations, Hospitals, etc., during 1912, consisting of about 1,700 tons of Japanese House Coal 500 tons of Anthracite.		December 29. Tenderers should quote for retail delivery where required.
	FIRE BRIGADE.		
	Information on the subject of tenders under this Section may be obtained at the Central Fire Station, Honan Road.		
1.	3,000-ft. 2½-in. Double Jacket Cotton Para Rubber lined Fire Hose in 50-ft. Lengths, uncoupled. 1,000-ft. 2½-in. Single Jacket Cotton Para Rubber lined Fire Hose in 50-ft. Lengths, uncoupled. 2,025-ft. 2½-in. Flax Machine-made, Canvas, unlined, Fire Hose in 75-ft. Lengths, with gun-metal couplings, expansion ring pattern, V right-hand threads, 5 threads per inch, 3¼-in. ext. dia. and to be provided with two lugs ¾-in. dia., ⅞-in. length. 15-ft. 6-in. Wire bound unchafable Suction Hose complete with couplings wired on, screw of couplings 7-in. ext. dia. 5 threads per inch.	—	Extended to January 15, 1912. Tenders should be accompanied by samples.
	POLICE FORCE.		
	Information on the subject of tenders under this Section may be obtained at the Depôt, Gordon Road.		
5.	300 pieces of Cotton Drill 40 yards by 29-in.		January 15, 1912

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